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Dear Honorable Commissioner:

Applicants hereby submit the following documents to be filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office:

- Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 to Non-Final Office Action, Mailed
 June 5, 2006; and
- Return receipt postcard.

Please date stamp and return the enclosed postcard evidencing receipt of these materials.

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Applicants believe that there are no fees due in association with the filing of this Response. However, should the Commissioner deem that any fees are due, including any fees

for extensions of time, Applicants respectfully request that the Commissioner accept this as a

Petition Therefor, and direct that any additional fees be charged to Baker Botts L.L.P. Deposit

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1. Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 to Non-Final Office Action, Mailed June 5, 2006;

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Dear Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 5, 2006 (the "Office Action"), Applicants submit this Response.

- Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper; and
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.